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REMARKS


The Examiner rejected claims 2-41 pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §101 as directed to non-statutory subject matter. The Examiner noted that “applicants must claim a real world result such as the display or storage of a diagnostic image as a result of the intermediate optimization protocols.” An act associated with imaging was added to each of the method claims. Imaging based on the selections, settings or other acts provides a real world result. The imaging may be immediate or delayed, such as associated with the result of storage. Imaging includes acquiring data and/or displaying an image. No new matter is added.

CONCLUSION:

Applicants respectfully submit that all of the pending claims are in condition for allowance and seeks early allowance thereof. If for any reason, the Examiner is unable to allow the application but believes that an interview would be helpful to resolve any issues, he is respectfully requested to call the undersigned at (650) 943-7350 or Craig Summerfield at (312) 321-4726.

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